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FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3527

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OGEN, OPRED, UR

SUBJECT: COMMERCE PROPOSAL TO INCREASE STAFFING  
OF MOSCOW COMMERCIAL OFFICE

REF: STATE 211812

1. EMBASSY HAS NO OBJECTION TO ASSIGNMENT OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR COMMERCIAL OFFICE BUT WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON HIS PLACE IN STAFFING PATTERN. IS PROPOSED DEPUTY DIRECTOR ADDITION TO FOUR OFFICER POSITIONS PLANNED FOR STAFFING COMMERCIAL OFFICE OR IS HE SUBSTITUTE FOR ONE OF TWO NEW OFFICER POSITIONS PREVIOUSLY PROPOSED FOR STAFFING IN SUMMER OF 1974?
2. EMBASSY HAS UNDERSTOOD THAT FSO-4'S FROMOWITZ AND STEWART, CURRENTLY IN LANGUAGE TRAINING, WERE TO ARRIVE JUNE/JULY NEXT YEAR. IF DEPT KEEPS THESE ASSIGNMENTS, EMBASSY ANTICIPATES THAT COMMERCIAL OFFICE WOULD BE STAFFED BY NILES (ETA NOV 73), DOROUGH (ETA JAN 74), TWO OFFICERS DUE SUMMER 1974, SECRETARY, PRESENT CLERK (ECONOMIC-COMMERCIAL), AND PROMOTIONAL ASSISTANT PROPOSED REFTEL. TO EMBASSY'S KNOWLEDGE COMMERCIAL OFFICE PLANS APPROVED BY COMMERCE INCLUDE FOUR OFFICES FOR PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBERS.
3. EMBASSY WOULD NOT BE IN POSITION TO PROVIDE HOUSING AND ADMIN SUPPORT FOR ADDITIONAL OFFICER POSITION, AND UNCLASSIFIED

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IN ANY EVENT NO ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL OTHER THAN

DOROUGH (WHO IS REPLACING STRAND) SHOULD BE SENT TO MOSCOW ON 1/1/74 (SUGGESTED ARRIVAL DATE FOR DEP DIR) SINCE HOUSING WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THAT EARLY DATE AND OFFICE SPACE NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL COMMERCIAL OFFICE COMPLETED NEAR END OF JANUARY.

4. EMBASSY APPRECIATES ADVANCE NOTICE AND CONSULTATION REGARDING THESE ASSIGNMENTS AS HOUSING AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FACILITIES STRETCHED SO THIN THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE ACCEPT ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL BEYOND THOSE CURRENTLY SCHEDULED PENDING FAVORABLE RESOLUTION OF BOTH BUDGETARY PROBLEMS AND REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT PERSONNEL SET FORTH IN EMBASSY'S A-454 OF AUG 1, 1973.  
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